

# PHA Plans

5 Year Plan for Fiscal Years 2000 - 2004  
Annual Plan for Fiscal Year 2003

**NOTE: THIS PHA PLANS TEMPLATE (HUD 50075) IS TO BE COMPLETED IN  
ACCORDANCE WITH INSTRUCTIONS LOCATED IN APPLICABLE PIH NOTICES**

## **PHA Plan Agency Identification**

**PHA Name:** South Central Minnesota Multi-County H.R.A.

**PHA Number:** MN219

**PHA Fiscal Year Beginning:** 01/2003

### **Public Access to Information**

**Information regarding any activities outlined in this plan can be obtained by contacting: (select all that apply)**

- ☒ Main administrative office of the PHA
- ☐ PHA development management offices
- ☐ PHA local offices

### **Display Locations For PHA Plans and Supporting Documents**

The PHA Plans (including attachments) are available for public inspection at: (select all that apply)

- ☒ Main administrative office of the PHA
- ☐ PHA development management offices
- ☐ PHA local offices
- ☐ Main administrative office of the local government
- ☐ Main administrative office of the County government
- ☐ Main administrative office of the State government
- ☐ Public library
- ☒ PHA website ([www.scommchra.org](http://www.scommchra.org))
- ☐ Other

PHA Plan Supporting Documents are available for inspection at: (select all that apply)

- ☒ Main business office of the PHA
- ☐ PHA development management offices
- ☐ Other (list below)

**5-YEAR PLAN**  
**PHA FISCAL YEARS 2000 - 2004**  
[24 CFR Part 903.5]

**A. Mission**

State the PHA's mission for serving the needs of low-income, very low income, and extremely low-income families in the PHA's jurisdiction. (select one of the choices below)

- ☐ The mission of the PHA is the same as that of the Department of Housing and Urban Development: To promote adequate and affordable housing, economic opportunity and a suitable living environment free from discrimination.
- ☒ The PHA's mission is: (state mission here)

**The mission of South Central MN Multi-County H.R.A. (SCMMCHRA) is to promote adequate, affordable housing in a safe environment. SCMMCHRA will assist families and individuals to achieve economic self-sufficiency through effective collaboration with community agencies, residents and property owners.**

**B. Goals (& Progress Towards Meeting Goals):**

The goals and objectives listed below are derived from HUD's strategic Goals and Objectives and those emphasized in recent legislation. PHAs may select any of these goals and objectives as their own, or identify other goals and/or objectives. Whether selecting the HUD-suggested objectives or their own, **PHAS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO IDENTIFY QUANTIFIABLE MEASURES OF SUCCESS IN REACHING THEIR OBJECTIVES OVER THE COURSE OF THE 5 YEARS.** (Quantifiable measures would include targets such as: numbers of families served or PHAS scores achieved.) PHAs should identify these measures in the spaces to the right of or below the stated objectives.

**Management and Administration:**

**Goal 1: To increase the availability of decent, safe and affordable housing.**

**Objective A: Implement an aggressive outreach program to attract at least 25 new landlords to participate in agency programs by December of 2004.**

*In 2001, South Central HRA implemented an outreach program by contacting all current and past landlords, providing them with information about the Section 8 Program and the agency and asking if they would like to be listed in the Multi-County Housing Directory of Landlords. In addition, the HRA is in the process of making contact with all rental property owners who are listed on the county tax rolls to notify them of the benefits of working with the Section 8 Program.*

**Objective B: Apply for 100 additional rental vouchers by December 31, 2003.**

*In 2001, South Central HRA received 157 additional Section 8 Vouchers as a part of a Preservation Voucher project. Approximately 137 of those Vouchers were applied to the Section 8 Waiting List. In addition, the South Central HRA is currently involved in two more housing conversions, which will increase the total number of vouchers allocated to the HRA to approximately 560. The HRA is actively increasing the total number of clients served by the Section 8 Program.*

**Objective C: Leverage private or other public funds to create additional housing opportunities.**

*In 2001, South Central HRA received funding from South Eastern MN Initiative Fund to develop multi-family units in cooperation with regional non-profit organizations.*

**Goal 2: To improve the quality of assistance provided to clients.**

**Objective A: Improve SEMAP reporting percentages to 100 percent by January 1, 2003.**

*In 2001, South Central HRA was informed that their reporting percentage had reached 100% and that percentage is still being maintained.*

**Objective B: Conduct mail survey to measure customer satisfaction. Report findings by January 1, 2002.**

*In 2001, staff began the discussion process necessary in order to implement this project, however, no recent progress.*

**Objective C: Implement in-service procedure for new applicants, including voucher mobility counseling by June 1, 2002.**

*No Progress Yet. Many discussions have taken place, including how to make the procedure cost effective and whether the HRA has enough staff to provide the in-service procedure throughout the five-county service area.*

**Objective D: Achieve and sustain a utilization rate of 100 percent by June 1, 2003.**

*The HRA continues to lease vouchers aggressively, and at the point where fifty-nine more vouchers are leased, the Section 8 Program will be 100% leased.*

**Objective E: Design and distribute Multi-County Directory of Housing Booklet by December 31, 2001.**

*As part of a joint effort with the Minnesota Chapter of First Call for Help, South Central HRA designed and distributed the Multi-County Directory of Housing Booklet by December 31, 2001 and continues to use it on a routine basis.*

**Objective F: Provide outreach to area social service organizations regarding the housing authority and all existing programs.**

*South Central HRA continues, on an ongoing basis, to provide outreach to area social service organizations regarding the housing authority and all existing programs.*

**Goal 3: To manage the South Central MN Multi County H.R.A. Programs in an efficient and effective manner.**

**Objective A: Restructure agency positions and job descriptions when reorganization is complete by April 1, 2003.**

*Agency job descriptions have been restructured and reorganization continues to occur. An Office Manager position was added in June 15, 2000 and an Office Assistant position was added in September 2001. In 2002, the Housing Specialist positions evolved into Housing Program Coordinator positions.*

**Objective B: Purchase new HUD software to advance and improve program management by January 1, 2000.**

*South Central HRA purchased the HAPPY Software database system in October 1999 and uses it in daily operations.*

**Objective C: Increase Board of Director involvement by January 1, 2000.**

*Board of Director involvement has increased due to the HRA Board of Commissioners meeting monthly (due to an increase in “special” meetings, outside of the regular meetings being held every other month) and due to the fact that there are many new HRA Commissioners on the Board who have become very active in the projects of the HRA.*

**Objective D: Return to Committee structure (i.e. Section 8, Budget, Policy, Personnel, By-Laws) by January 2002.**

*Discussions are being held regarding this topic. Currently, the Board of Commissioners hold "special" meetings that make the committee structure largely unnecessary. However, there is one committee to oversee bond-funded rental housing projects.*

**Objective E: Train all staff in the area of Housing Quality Standards for all unit types by January 1, 2001.**

*In July 2000, all staff were trained in the area of Housing Quality Standards for all unit types.*

**Fiscal Responsibility:**

**Goal 1: Ensure full compliance with all applicable accounting standards and regulations.**

**Objective A: The South Central MN Multi County H.R.A. will operate so that income exceeds expenses every year.**

*The HRA is operating so that income exceeds expenses every year.*

**Objective B: The South Central MN Multi County H.R.A. shall maintain its operating reserves of at least \$ 35,000 between now and December 31, 2004.**

*The HRA maintains its operating reserves of at least \$35,000 each year.*

**Goal 2: Reduce dependency on federal funding.**

**Objective A: The South Central MN Multi County H.R.A. will raise funds from four (4) non-HUD sources by December 31, 2004.**

*As of June 1, 2001, the South Central HRA has raised funds from three non-HUD sources. They are: the South Eastern Minnesota Initiative Fund, to develop single-family units; Minnesota Housing Finance Agency, to administer Rental Assistance for Family Stabilization (RAFS) Vouchers; and Partners for Affordable Housing, to provide grant writing services and staff oversight. Finally, an application was submitted to Minnesota Housing Finance Agency to administer the Housing Trust Rental Assistance Program. In 2001, an application was submitted to Minnesota Housing Partnership for technical assistance. This application is still pending.*

**Objective B: The South Central MN Multi County HRA will reduce its dependence on HUD by raising \$20,000 from non-HUD sources by December 31, 2004.**

*Since 2000, the HRA raised \$20,000 for each year by contracting with Partners for Affordable Housing to do grant writing and oversee staff. In addition, in 2001, the South Eastern Minnesota Initiative Fund has provided a grant of \$20,000 to develop single-family units. The Minnesota Housing Finance Agency awarded a grant of \$208,800 to manage a rental assistance program.*

## **Equal Opportunity:**

**Goal 1: The South Central MN Multi County H.R.A. shall ensure equal opportunity and affirmatively further fair housing.**

**Objective A: Undertake affirmative measures to ensure access to assisted housing regardless of race, color, religion, national origin, sex, familial status and/or disability.**

*The South Central HRA continues to undertake these affirmative measures on an ongoing basis.*

**Objective B: Undertake affirmative measures to ensure accessible housing to persons with all kinds of disabilities, regardless of unit size required.**

*The South Central HRA continues to undertake these affirmative measures on an ongoing basis.*

## **Self-Sufficiency and Asset Development:**

**Goal 1: Promote self-sufficiency and asset development of assisted households.**

**Objective A: Increase the number of Section 8 recipients participating in the Family Self-Sufficiency Program (FSS) to 58 by May 1, 2002.**

*The number of participants on the Family Self Sufficiency Program was at 42 on May 2000; 64 on May 2001; and 51 on April 2002. The average number of participants from April 2000 to April 2002 is 58.*

**Objective B: Develop and implement a homeownership program for tenants by December 31, 2004.**

*Development of a homeownership program for tenants is in progress. The projected date of implementation is fall of 2002.*

**Objective C: Co-sponsor seven (7) topical workshops for participants to encourage asset development and self-sufficiency by December 31, 2004.**

*Preparing for Homeownership Workshops began in March 2000.*

**Objective D: Collaborate or connect with existing job fair(s) in South Central Minnesota to help with participant employability and increase the percentage of employed persons receiving housing assistance.**

*Not completed as of yet.*

**Objective E: Provide and/or attract support services to increase independence for the elderly or families with disabilities by obtaining current listing of independent living facilities and providing it to appropriate renters by June 1, 2002.**

*Not completed as of yet.*

## **Community Collaboration and Support Service:**

### **Goal 1: Improve client access to services that support economic opportunity and quality of life.**

**Objective A: Maintain and improve the Multi-County Community Resources Booklet, developed by the Family Self-Sufficiency (FSS) Program in 1999.**

*The Multi-County Community Resources Booklet was developed and in the past, was provided to Section 8 recipients routinely. The HRA has obtained a copy of the First Call for Help software, which is an up-to-date database of resources in the region. As of the Spring 2001, the First Call for Help reference and software has replaced the use of the Multi-County Community Resources Booklet.*



**Objective B: The South Central MN Multi County H.R.A. will participate in or develop and nurture four (4) new partnerships in order to enhance self-sufficiency services to South Central Minnesota residents by December 31, 2004.**

*Thus far, the HRA has formed partnerships with four other organizations to provide self-sufficiency services. They are: 1) First Call for Help (developing the Multi-County Landlord Directory); 2) Partners for Affordable Housing (providing grant writing services and oversight); 3) Life-Work Planning Center (developing the Preparing for Homeownership workshops); and 4) Resource Connections (developing the Preparing for Homeownership workshops).*

**Objective C: Apply to at least two (2) appropriate foundations for grant funds by January 1, 2002.**

*In 2001, the HRA applied to one foundation, South Eastern Minnesota Initiative Fund, for a grant to develop single-family housing. The application was approved and the HRA received funding to develop multi-family units in cooperation with regional nonprofit organizations.*

**Objective D: The South Central MN Multi County H.R.A. will continue efforts to host an annual meeting of residents for the purpose of receiving feedback on the PHA Agency and Annual Plan.**

*Each year, one meeting will be held in the Main office of the HRA and other meetings will be held in sites within the five-county service area. For the year 2002, the annual meetings will be held in April and May.*

## **Availability of Housing Assistance:**

**Goal 1: To increase the availability of housing assistance in the five-county region.**

**Objective A: Increase number of housing vouchers by 50 by March 1, 2001.**

*In 2001, the total number of vouchers available increased by 157 due to a Preservation Voucher Project. Vouchers that were not used by the Project were eventually added to the Section 8 Waiting List. In addition, the HRA is currently involved in two other conversion actions that will increase the total number of vouchers available by approximately 20 more.*

**Objective B: Increase number of RAFS vouchers by 25 by June 1, 2001.**

*In 2001, the HRA received funding for an additional 75 RAFS Vouchers. However, the program funding has now ended. South Central HRA has received 30 Housing Trust Fund Rental Assistance Program Vouchers through the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency and will begin to serve families with the vouchers as soon as mid-2002.*

**Marketing and Community Outreach:**

**Goal 1: Enhance the image of public housing assistance in the service area of South Central MN Multi-County H.R.A.**

**Objective A: The South Central MN Multi-County H.R.A. leadership shall speak to at least eight (8) civic, community service, religious or fraternal groups a year to explain how important housing assistance is in our region.**

*HRA leadership and staff continue to speak to civic, community service, and other groups on an ongoing basis to promote housing assistance. Recent speaking engagements include the North Mankato Rotary Club, the local ministerial association and the Hilltop Kiwanis regarding affordable housing and South Central Plus regarding agency program updates.*

**Objective B: Participate on community boards, committees and meetings as a South Central MN Multi-County H.R.A. representative.**

*HRA leadership and staff continue to participate on community boards, committees and meetings on an ongoing basis to promote housing assistance. HRA leadership routinely participates in the following groups: South Central Plus, Regional Continuum of Care and the Institute for Renewing Community Leadership.*

**Objective C: Utilize the mass media in featuring program highlights, human interest stories and general information about South Central MN Multi-County H.R.A.**

*South Central HRA continues to utilize the mass media to promote housing assistance and promote awareness about the agency.*

**Objective D: Meet once per year with county human service agency staff and administrators in Nicollet, Sibley, Waseca, Watonwan, Martin and Blue Earth Counties.**

*South Central HRA leadership and staff continues to meet several times per year with human service agency staff and administrators in the five county service areas to promote housing assistance and promote awareness about the agency.*

**Objective E: Design a South Central MN Multi-County H.R.A web site on the Internet by June, 2002.**

*Visitors can access the South Central HRA web site at [www.scommchra.org](http://www.scommchra.org).*

**Annual PHA Plan**  
**PHA Fiscal Year 2003**  
[24 CFR Part 903.7]

**i. Annual Plan Type:**

Select which type of Annual Plan the PHA will submit.

☐ **Standard Plan**

**Streamlined Plan:**

- ☐ **High Performing PHA**  
☐ **Small Agency (<250 Public Housing Units)**  
☒ **Administering Section 8 Only**

③ ☐ **Troubled Agency Plan**

**ii. Executive Summary of the Annual PHA Plan & Progress Report on the Five-Year Goals and Objectives:**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (r)]

Provide a brief overview of the information in the Annual Plan, including highlights of major initiatives and discretionary policies the PHA has included in the Annual Plan.

The South Central MN Multi-County H.R.A. has prepared this Agency Plan in compliance with Section 511 of the Quality Housing and Work Responsibility Act of 1998 and the ensuing HUD requirements. Our Annual Plan is based on the premise that if we accomplish our goals and objectives we will be working towards the achievement of our mission.

The plans, statements, budget summary, policies, etc. set forth in the Annual Plan all lead towards the accomplishment of our goals and objectives. Taken as a whole, they outline a comprehensive approach towards our goals and objectives and are consistent with the Consolidated Plan. Here are just a few highlights of our Annual Plan:

- ③ We have maintained the Federal Preferences – for families or individuals who are Involuntarily Displaced, Rent Burdened, or living in Substandard Housing; as well as Local Preferences for individuals and families who Lease in Place, Elderly or Disabled Individuals and Veterans.
- ③ Applicants will be selected from the waiting list by preference and in order of the date and time they applied.
- ③ We have established a minimum rent of \$50.
- ③ We have adopted “hardship exception” policies for exceptions to the minimum rent.

- ③ We utilize 110 percent of the published FMR's as our payment standard for the Section 8 Program.

The South Central MN Multi-County HRA is making steady progress in meeting the mission and goals described in the 5-Year Plan. There are no substantial deviations from the 5-Year Plan submitted for fiscal year 2002.

We will continue to promote adequate, affordable housing in South Central Minnesota. We are leasing families onto the program at an aggressive rate. In January 2000, we served 345 families; in January 2001, we served 419 families and as of May 2002, we served 525 families. We have been working with several housing conversion actions. In 2001, we provided tenant-based assistance to families in the Colony Apartments in North Mankato and the Fairview Apartments in St. Peter. Currently, in 2002, we are involved in housing conversion actions at Waseca Village in Waseca and Canterbury Square in Fairmont. The total number of vouchers allocated to our agency increases with each housing conversion action and our agency expects more involvement in these types of projects in the future.

In order to achieve and sustain a utilization rate of 100 percent, we will continue to step up our marketing efforts, which include outreach to other service organizations, tenants and landlords. Within the next year, we will provide outreach to area social service organizations regarding the housing authority and all existing programs; speak to civic, community service, religious or fraternal groups to explain how important housing assistance is in our region; distribute our agency brochure; promote the HRA web site; and continue to distribute Multi-County Directory of Housing booklets.

In addition, our Family Self Sufficiency Coordinator has enhanced self-sufficiency services to South Central Minnesota residents by making available to our clients the First Call for Help reference and software, which is an up-to-date database of resources in the region; and developing and implementing a homeownership program for tenants in each of our five counties. In addition, the HRA has formed partnerships with several other organizations to provide self-sufficiency services and to encourage asset development: Partners for Affordable Housing, Life-Work Planning Center and Resource Connections.

As an agency, we also have worked to reduce our dependence on HUD by raising funds from three organizations other than HUD. Each year, we raise \$20,000 through a partnership with Partners for Affordable Housing (PAH), a Mankato-based organization that provides transitional housing to homeless individuals and families. In addition, we presently administer 40 Vouchers for the Rental Assistance for Family Stabilization (RAFS) Program; a program funded by Minnesota Housing Finance Agency (MHFA). In 2001, the South Eastern Minnesota Initiative Fund provided a grant of \$20,000 to develop single-family units. In addition, we have been funded for an additional 30 Housing Trust Rental Assistance Program (RAP) Vouchers through the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency.

In summary, we are on course to improve and advance our programs and the availability of affordable housing in South Central Minnesota.

#### **iv. Annual Plan Table of Contents**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (r)]

Provide a table of contents for the Annual Plan, including attachments, and a list of supporting documents available for public inspection.

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#### **Attachments**

Indicate which attachments are provided by selecting all that apply. Provide the attachment's name (A, B, etc.) in the space to the left of the name of the attachment. Note: If the attachment is provided as a **SEPARATE** file submission from the PHA Plans file, provide the file name in parentheses in the space to the right of the title.

#### **Required Attachments:**

- ☐ Admissions Policy for Deconcentration
- ☐ FY 2000 Capital Fund Program Annual Statement
- ☐ Most recent board-approved operating budget (Required Attachment for PHAs that are troubled or at risk of being designated troubled ONLY)

Optional Attachments:

- ☐ PHA Management Organizational Chart
- ☐ FY 2000 Capital Fund Program 5 Year Action Plan
- ☐ Public Housing Drug Elimination Program (PHDEP) Plan
- ☐ Comments of Resident Advisory Board or Boards (must be attached if not included in PHA Plan text)
- ☐ Other (List below, providing each attachment name)

**Supporting Documents Available for Review**

Indicate which documents are available for public review by placing a mark in the “Applicable & On Display” column in the appropriate rows. All listed documents must be on display if applicable to the program activities conducted by the PHA.

<b>List of Supporting Documents Available for Review</b>		
<b>Applicable &amp; On Display</b>	<b>Supporting Document</b>	<b>Applicable Plan Component</b>
X	PHA Plan Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulations	5 Year and Annual Plans
X	State/Local Government Certification of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan	5 Year and Annual Plans
X	Fair Housing Documentation: Records reflecting that the PHA has examined its programs or proposed programs, identified any impediments to fair housing choice in those programs, addressed or is addressing those impediments in a reasonable fashion in view of the resources available, and worked or is working with local jurisdictions to implement any of the jurisdictions' initiatives to affirmatively further fair housing that require the PHA's involvement.	5 Year and Annual Plans
X	Consolidated Plan for the jurisdiction/s in which the PHA is located (which includes the Analysis of Impediments to Fair Housing Choice (AI)) and any additional backup data to support statement of housing needs in the jurisdiction	Annual Plan: Housing Needs
X	Most recent board-approved operating budget for the public housing program	Annual Plan: Financial Resources;
	Public Housing Admissions and (Continued) Occupancy Policy (A&O), which includes the Tenant Selection and Assignment Plan [TSAP]	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies
X	Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions Policies
	Public housing rent determination policies, including the methodology for setting public housing flat rents <input type="checkbox"/> check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy	Annual Plan: Rent Determination



<b>List of Supporting Documents Available for Review</b>		
<b>Applicable &amp; On Display</b>	<b>Supporting Document</b>	<b>Applicable Plan Component</b>
	Schedule of flat rents offered at each public housing development <input type="checkbox"/> check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy	Annual Plan: Rent Determination
X	Section 8 rent determination (payment standard) policies <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> check here if included in Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Rent Determination
	Public housing management and maintenance policy documents, including policies for the prevention or eradication of pest infestation (including cockroach infestation)	Annual Plan: Operations and Maintenance
	Public housing grievance procedures <input type="checkbox"/> check here if included in the public housing A & O Policy	Annual Plan: Grievance Procedures
X	Section 8 informal review and hearing procedures <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> check here if included in Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Grievance Procedures
	The HUD-approved Capital Fund/Comprehensive Grant Program Annual Statement (HUD 52837) for the active grant year	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
	Most recent CIAP Budget/Progress Report (HUD 52825) for any active CIAP grant	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
	Most recent, approved 5 Year Action Plan for the Capital Fund/Comprehensive Grant Program, if not included as an attachment (provided at PHA option)	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
	Approved HOPE VI applications or, if more recent, approved or submitted HOPE VI Revitalization Plans or any other approved proposal for development of public housing	Annual Plan: Capital Needs
	Approved or submitted applications for demolition and/or disposition of public housing	Annual Plan: Demolition and Disposition
	Approved or submitted applications for designation of public housing (Designated Housing Plans)	Annual Plan: Designation of Public Housing
	Approved or submitted assessments of reasonable revitalization of public housing and approved or submitted conversion plans prepared pursuant to section 202 of the 1996 HUD Appropriations Act	Annual Plan: Conversion of Public Housing
	Approved or submitted public housing homeownership programs/plans	Annual Plan: Homeownership
	Policies governing any Section 8 Homeownership program <input type="checkbox"/> check here if included in the Section 8 Administrative Plan	Annual Plan: Homeownership
	Any cooperative agreement between the PHA and the TANF agency	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency
X	FSS Action Plan/s for public housing and/or Section 8	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency

<b>List of Supporting Documents Available for Review</b>		
<b>Applicable &amp; On Display</b>	<b>Supporting Document</b>	<b>Applicable Plan Component</b>
	Most recent self-sufficiency (ED/SS, TOP or ROSS or other resident services grant) grant program reports	Annual Plan: Community Service & Self-Sufficiency
	The most recent Public Housing Drug Elimination Program (PHDEP) semi-annual performance report for any open grant and most recently submitted PHDEP application (PHDEP Plan)	Annual Plan: Safety and Crime Prevention
X	The most recent fiscal year audit of the PHA conducted under section 5(h)(2) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437c(h)), the results of that audit and the PHA's response to any findings	Annual Plan: Annual Audit
	Troubled PHAs: MOA/Recovery Plan	Troubled PHAs
	Other supporting documents (optional) (list individually; use as many lines as necessary)	(specify as needed)

## **1.Statement of Housing Needs**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (a)]

### **A. Housing Needs of Families in the Jurisdiction/s Served by the PHA**

Based upon the information contained in the Consolidated Plan/s applicable to the jurisdiction, and/or other data available to the PHA, provide a statement of the housing needs in the jurisdiction by completing the following table. In the "Overall" Needs column, provide the estimated number of renter families that have housing needs. For the remaining characteristics, rate the impact of that factor on the housing needs for each family type, from 1 to 5, with 1 being "no impact" and 5 being "severe impact." Use N/A to indicate that no information is available upon which the PHA can make this assessment.

<b>Housing Needs of Families in the Jurisdiction by Family Type</b>							
<b>Family Type</b>	<b>Overall</b>	<b>Afford- ability</b>	<b>Supply</b>	<b>Quality</b>	<b>Access- ibility</b>	<b>Size</b>	<b>Loca- tion</b>
Income <= 30% of AMI	3393	4	4	3	5	4	4
Income >30% but <=50% of AMI	4166	4	4	3	5	4	4
Income >50% but <80% of AMI	6475	2	4	3	5	4	4
Elderly	4727	4	4	3	5	4	4
Families with Disabilities	No Info Avail	3	4	3	5	4	4
Hispanic/Latino	4160	4	4	3	5	4	4
Black	798	4	4	3	5	4	4
Asian	674	4	4	3	5	4	4

Housing Needs of Families in the Jurisdiction by Family Type							
Family Type	Overall	Afford- ability	Supply	Quality	Access- ibility	Size	Loca- tion
American Indian	281	4	4	3	5	4	4
Other Race	2238	4	4	3	5	4	4

What sources of information did the PHA use to conduct this analysis? (Check all that apply; all materials must be made available for public inspection.)

- ☐ Consolidated Plan of the Jurisdiction/s  
Indicate year: 1999
- ☒ U.S. Census data: the Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (“CHAS”) dataset (1990)
- ☒ American Housing Survey data  
Indicate year:
- ☐ Other housing market study  
Indicate year:
- ☐ Other sources: (list and indicate year of information)

## B. Housing Needs of Families on the Public Housing and Section 8 Tenant- Based Assistance Waiting Lists

State the housing needs of the families on the PHA’s waiting list/s. **Complete one table for each type of PHA-wide waiting list administered by the PHA.** PHAs may provide separate tables for site-based or sub-jurisdictional public housing waiting lists at their option.

Housing Needs of Families on the Waiting List			
Waiting list type: (select one)			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Section 8 tenant-based assistance		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Housing		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Combined Section 8 and Public Housing		
<input type="checkbox"/>	Public Housing Site-Based or sub-jurisdictional waiting list (optional)		
If used, identify which development/subjurisdiction:			
	# of families	% of total families	Annual Turnover
Waiting list total	40		
Extremely low income <=30% AMI	30	75%	
Very low income (>30% but <=50% AMI)	10	25%	
Low income (>50% but <80%)	0	0%	

Housing Needs of Families on the Waiting List			
AMI)			
Families with children	24	60%	
Elderly families	2	5%	
Families with Disabilities	1	21.5%	
Race/ethnicity	29	73%	White
Race/ethnicity	8	20%	Black
Race/ethnicity	5	12.5%	Hispanic
Race/ethnicity	0	0%	Asian
Race/ethnicity	1	2.5%	American Indian
Characteristics by Bedroom Size (Public Housing Only)			
1BR			
2 BR			
3 BR			
4 BR			
5 BR			
5+ BR			
Is the waiting list closed (select one)? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes If yes: How long has it been closed (# of months)? Does the PHA expect to reopen the list in the PHA Plan year? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes Does the PHA permit specific categories of families onto the waiting list, even if generally closed? <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Yes			

### C. Strategy for Addressing Needs

Provide a brief description of the PHA's strategy for addressing the housing needs of families in the jurisdiction and on the waiting list **IN THE UPCOMING YEAR**, and the Agency's reasons for choosing this strategy.

- ③ The South Central MN Multi-County H.R.A. has chosen the strategies listed below, because they believe in providing safe and affordable housing, promoting self sufficiency, employability and homeownership.

### **(1) Strategies**

**Need: Shortage of affordable housing for all eligible populations**

#### **Strategy 1. Maximize the number of affordable units available to the PHA within its current resources by:**

Select all that apply

- ☐ Employ effective maintenance and management policies to minimize the number of public housing units off-line
- ☐ Reduce turnover time for vacated public housing units
- ☐ Reduce time to renovate public housing units
- ☐ Seek replacement of public housing units lost to the inventory through mixed finance development
- ☐ Seek replacement of public housing units lost to the inventory through section 8 replacement housing resources
- ☒ Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by establishing payment standards that will enable families to rent throughout the jurisdiction
- ☒ Undertake measures to ensure access to affordable housing among families assisted by the PHA, regardless of unit size required
- ☒ Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by marketing the program to owners, particularly those outside of areas of minority and poverty concentration
- ☒ Maintain or increase section 8 lease-up rates by effectively screening Section 8 applicants to increase owner acceptance of program
- ☐ Participate in the Consolidated Plan development process to ensure coordination with broader community strategies
- ☐ Other (list below)

#### **Strategy 2: Increase the number of affordable housing units by:**

Select all that apply

- ☐ Apply for additional section 8 units should they become available
- ☐ Leverage affordable housing resources in the community through the creation of mixed - finance housing
- ☒ Pursue housing resources other than public housing or Section 8 tenant-based assistance.
- ☒ Other: (list)

Provide tenant-based assistance to tenants who are affected by housing conversion actions.

**Need: Specific Family Types: Families at or below 30% of median**

**Strategy 1: Target available assistance to families at or below 30 % of AMI**

Select all that apply

- ☐ Exceed HUD federal targeting requirements for families at or below 30% of AMI in public housing
- ☐ Exceed HUD federal targeting requirements for families at or below 30% of AMI in tenant-based section 8 assistance
- ☐ Employ admissions preferences aimed at families with economic hardships
- ☒ Adopt rent policies to support and encourage work
- ☐ Other: (list below)

**Need: Specific Family Types: Families at or below 50% of median**

**Strategy 1: Target available assistance to families at or below 50% of AMI**

Select all that apply

- ☐ Employ admissions preferences aimed at families who are working
- ☒ Adopt rent policies to support and encourage work
- ☐ Other: (list below)

**Need: Specific Family Types: The Elderly**

**Strategy 1: Target available assistance to the elderly:**

Select all that apply

- ☐ Seek designation of public housing for the elderly
- ☐ Apply for special-purpose vouchers targeted to the elderly, should they become available
- ☒ Other: (list below)  
Market to other organizations that assist with the Elderly population to increase the percentage of elderly families served by the Section 8 Program.

**Need: Specific Family Types: Families with Disabilities**

**Strategy 1: Target available assistance to Families with Disabilities:**

Select all that apply

- ☐ Seek designation of public housing for families with disabilities
- ☐ Carry out the modifications needed in public housing based on the section 504 Needs Assessment for Public Housing
- ☐ Apply for special-purpose vouchers targeted to families with disabilities, should they become available

- ☒ Affirmatively market to local non-profit agencies that assist families with disabilities
- ☐ Other: (list below)

**Need: Specific Family Types: Races or ethnicities with disproportionate housing needs**

**Strategy 1: Increase awareness of PHA resources among families of races and ethnicities with disproportionate needs:**

Select if applicable

- ☒ Affirmatively market to races/ethnicities shown to have disproportionate housing needs
- ☐ Other: (list below)

**Strategy 2: Conduct activities to affirmatively further fair housing**

Select all that apply

- ☒ Counsel section 8 tenants as to location of units outside of areas of poverty or minority concentration and assist them to locate those units
- ☒ Market the section 8 program to owners outside of areas of poverty /minority concentrations
- ☐ Other: (list below)

**Other Housing Needs & Strategies: (list needs and strategies below)**

**(2) Reasons for Selecting Strategies**

Of the factors listed below, select all that influenced the PHA's selection of the strategies it will pursue:

- ☒ Funding constraints
- ☒ Staffing constraints
- ☒ Limited availability of sites for assisted housing
- ☒ Extent to which particular housing needs are met by other organizations in the community
- ☒ Evidence of housing needs as demonstrated in the Consolidated Plan and other information available to the PHA
- ☒ Influence of the housing market on PHA programs
- ☒ Community priorities regarding housing assistance
- ☒ Results of consultation with local or state government
- ☒ Results of consultation with residents and the Resident Advisory Board
- ☒ Results of consultation with advocacy groups
- ☐ Other: (list below)

## **2. Statement of Financial Resources**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (b)]

List the financial resources that are anticipated to be available to the PHA for the support of Federal public housing and tenant-based Section 8 assistance programs administered by the PHA during the Plan year. Note: the table assumes that Federal public housing or tenant based Section 8 assistance grant funds are expended on eligible purposes; therefore, uses of these funds need not be stated. For other funds, indicate the use for those funds as one of the following categories: public housing operations, public housing capital improvements, public housing safety/security, public housing supportive services, Section 8 tenant-based assistance, Section 8 supportive services or other.

<b>Financial Resources: Planned Sources and Uses</b>		
<b>Sources</b>	<b>Planned \$</b>	<b>Planned Uses</b>
<b>1. Federal Grants (FY 2002 grants)</b>		
a) Public Housing Operating Fund		
b) Public Housing Capital Fund		
c) HOPE VI Revitalization		
d) HOPE VI Demolition		
e) Annual Contributions for Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance	1,700,000	
f) Public Housing Drug Elimination Program (including any Technical Assistance funds)		
g) Resident Opportunity and Self-Sufficiency Grants		
h) Community Development Block Grant		
i) HOME		
Other Federal Grants (list below)		
Preservation Vouchers (Received 170 in 2001 + potential of 28 in 2002)	40,000	Section 8 operations
<b>2. Prior Year Federal Grants (unobligated funds only) (list below)</b>		
<b>3. Public Housing Dwelling Rental Income</b>		
<b>4. Other income (list below)</b>		
Revenue Recapture	0	



<b>Financial Resources: Planned Sources and Uses</b>		
<b>Sources</b>	<b>Planned \$</b>	<b>Planned Uses</b>
<b>4. Non-federal sources</b> (list below)		
Minnesota Housing Finance Agency		
RAFS Grant	115,000	RAFS Program operations
<b>Total resources</b>	1,855,000	

The information on this table indicates how South Central MN Multi-County H.R.A. intends to submit their budget at the time of the submission of this Annual Plan. South Central MN Multi-County H.R.A. reserves the right to make changes to this budget as more information becomes available to their agency.

### **3. PHA Policies Governing Eligibility, Selection, and Admissions**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (c)]

#### **A. Public Housing**

Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer public housing are not required to complete subcomponent 3A.

##### **(1) Eligibility**

a. When does the PHA verify eligibility for admission to public housing? (select all that apply)

- ☐ When families are within a certain number of being offered a unit: (state number)
- ☐ When families are within a certain time of being offered a unit: (state time)
- ☐ Other: (describe)

b. Which non-income (screening) factors does the PHA use to establish eligibility for admission to public housing (select all that apply)?

- ☐ Criminal or Drug-related activity
- ☐ Rental history
- ☐ Housekeeping
- ☐ Other (describe)

c. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Does the PHA request criminal records from local law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?

d. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Does the PHA request criminal records from State law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?

- e. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Does the PHA access FBI criminal records from the FBI for screening purposes? (either directly or through an NCIC-authorized source)

**(2)Waiting List Organization**

- a. Which methods does the PHA plan to use to organize its public housing waiting list (select all that apply)

- ☐ Community-wide list  
☐ Sub-jurisdictional lists  
☐ Site-based waiting lists  
☐ Other (describe)

- b. Where may interested persons apply for admission to public housing?

- ☐ PHA main administrative office  
☐ PHA development site management office  
☐ Other (list below)

- c. If the PHA plans to operate one or more site-based waiting lists in the coming year, answer each of the following questions; if not, skip to subsection **(3) Assignment**

1. How many site-based waiting lists will the PHA operate in the coming year?

2. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Are any or all of the PHA's site-based waiting lists new for the upcoming year (that is, they are not part of a previously-HUD-approved site based waiting list plan)?  
If yes, how many lists?

3. ☐ Yes ☐ No: May families be on more than one list simultaneously  
If yes, how many lists?

4. Where can interested persons obtain more information about and sign up to be on the site-based waiting lists (select all that apply)?

- ☐ PHA main administrative office  
☐ All PHA development management offices  
☐ Management offices at developments with site-based waiting lists  
☐ At the development to which they would like to apply  
☐ Other (list below)

### **(3) Assignment**

a. How many vacant unit choices are applicants ordinarily given before they fall to the bottom of or are removed from the waiting list? (select one)

- ☐ One  
☐ Two  
☐ Three or More

b. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Is this policy consistent across all waiting list types?

c. If answer to b is no, list variations for any other than the primary public housing waiting list/s for the PHA:

### **(4) Admissions Preferences**

a. Income targeting:

- ☐ Yes ☐ No: Does the PHA plan to exceed the federal targeting requirements by targeting more than 40% of all new admissions to public housing to families at or below 30% of median area income?

b. Transfer policies:

In what circumstances will transfers take precedence over new admissions? (list below)

- ☐ Emergencies  
☐ Overhoused  
☐ Underhoused  
☐ Medical justification  
☐ Administrative reasons determined by the PHA (e.g., to permit modernization work)  
☐ Resident choice: (state circumstances below)  
☐ Other: (list below)

c. Preferences

1. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Has the PHA established preferences for admission to public housing (other than date and time of application)? (If "no" is selected, skip to subsection **(5) Occupancy**)

2. Which of the following admission preferences does the PHA plan to employ in the coming year? (select all that apply from either former Federal preferences or other preferences)

Former Federal preferences:

- ☐ Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)  
☐ Victims of domestic violence  
☐ Substandard housing

- ☐ Homelessness
- ☐ High rent burden (rent is > 50 percent of income)
- Other preferences: (select below)
  - ☐ Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
  - ☐ Veterans and veterans' families
  - ☐ Residents who live and/or work in the jurisdiction
  - ☐ Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
  - ☐ Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)
  - ☐ Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)
  - ☐ Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
  - ☐ Victims of reprisals or hate crimes
  - ☐ Other preference(s) (list below)

3. If the PHA will employ admissions preferences, please prioritize by placing a "1" in the space that represents your first priority, a "2" in the box representing your second priority, and so on. If you give equal weight to one or more of these choices (either through an absolute hierarchy or through a point system), place the same number next to each. That means you can use "1" more than once, "2" more than once, etc.

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Former Federal preferences:

Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)  
 Victims of domestic violence  
 Substandard housing  
 Homelessness  
 High rent burden

Other preferences (select all that apply)

- ☐ Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
- ☐ Veterans and veterans' families
- ☐ Residents who live and/or work in the jurisdiction
- ☐ Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- ☐ Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)
- ☐ Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)
- ☐ Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- ☐ Victims of reprisals or hate crimes
- ☐ Other preference(s) (list below)

4. Relationship of preferences to income targeting requirements:

- ☐ The PHA applies preferences within income tiers
- ☐ Not applicable: the pool of applicant families ensures that the PHA will meet income targeting requirements

**(5) Occupancy**

a. What reference materials can applicants and residents use to obtain information about the rules of occupancy of public housing (select all that apply)

- ☐ The PHA-resident lease
- ☐ The PHA's Admissions and (Continued) Occupancy policy
- ☐ PHA briefing seminars or written materials
- ☐ Other source (list)

b. How often must residents notify the PHA of changes in family composition? (select all that apply)

- ☐ At an annual reexamination and lease renewal
- ☐ Any time family composition changes
- ☐ At family request for revision
- ☐ Other (list)

**(6) Deconcentration and Income Mixing**

a. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Did the PHA's analysis of its family (general occupancy) developments to determine concentrations of poverty indicate the need for measures to promote deconcentration of poverty or

b. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Did the PHA adopt any changes to its **admissions policies** based on the results of the required analysis of the need to promote deconcentration of poverty or to assure income mixing?

c. If the answer to b was yes, what changes were adopted? (select all that apply)

- ☐ Adoption of site-based waiting lists  
If selected, list targeted developments below:
- ☐ Employing waiting list "skipping" to achieve deconcentration of poverty or income mixing goals at targeted developments  
If selected, list targeted developments below:
- ☐ Employing new admission preferences at targeted developments

If selected, list targeted developments below:

☐ Other (list policies and developments targeted below)

d. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Did the PHA adopt any changes to **other** policies based on the results of the required analysis of the need for deconcentration of poverty and income mixing?

e. If the answer to d was yes, how would you describe these changes? (select all that apply)

- ☐ Additional affirmative marketing
- ☐ Actions to improve the marketability of certain developments
- ☐ Adoption or adjustment of ceiling rents for certain developments
- ☐ Adoption of rent incentives to encourage deconcentration of poverty and income-mixing
- ☐ Other (list below)

f. Based on the results of the required analysis, in which developments will the PHA make special efforts to attract or retain higher-income families? (select all that apply)

- ☐ Not applicable: results of analysis did not indicate a need for such efforts
- ☐ List (any applicable) developments below:

g. Based on the results of the required analysis, in which developments will the PHA make special efforts to assure access for lower-income families? (select all that apply)

- ☐ Not applicable: results of analysis did not indicate a need for such efforts
- ☐ List (any applicable) developments below:

## B. Section 8

Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer section 8 are not required to complete sub-component 3B. **Unless otherwise specified, all questions in this section apply only to the tenant-based section 8 assistance program (vouchers, and until completely merged into the voucher program, certificates).**

### (1) Eligibility

a. What is the extent of screening conducted by the PHA? (select all that apply)

- ☒ Criminal or drug-related activity only to the extent required by law or regulation
- ☐ Criminal and drug-related activity, more extensively than required by law or regulation
- ☐ More general screening than criminal and drug-related activity (list factors below)
- ☐ Other (list below)

- b. ☒ Yes ☐ No: Does the PHA request criminal records from local law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?
- c. ☐ Yes ☒ No: Does the PHA request criminal records from State law enforcement agencies for screening purposes?
- d. ☐ Yes ☒ No: Does the PHA access FBI criminal records from the FBI for screening purposes? (either directly or through an NCIC-authorized source)
- e. Indicate what kinds of information you share with prospective landlords? (select all that apply)
- ☒ Criminal or drug-related activity
- ☒ Other (describe below)
- ③ Rental History – how the family kept the unit; if they paid their rent on time, if they left damages when they vacated a unit.

## **(2) Waiting List Organization**

- a. With which of the following program waiting lists is the section 8 tenant-based assistance waiting list merged? (select all that apply)
- ☒ None
- ☐ Federal public housing
- ☐ Federal moderate rehabilitation
- ☐ Federal project-based certificate program
- ☐ Other federal or local program (list below)
- b. Where may interested persons apply for admission to section 8 tenant-based assistance? (select all that apply)
- ☒ PHA main administrative office
- ☒ Other (list below)
- ③ Minnesota Valley Action Council outreach offices located in each of the five counties that are part of the South Central MN Multi-County H.R.A.'s Section 8 service area.

## **(3) Search Time**

- a. ☒ Yes ☐ No: Does the PHA give extensions on standard 60-day period to search for a unit?

If yes, state circumstances below:

- ③ If the family documents their efforts and additional time can reasonably be expected to result in success or the family contains a person with a disability.

**(4) Admissions Preferences**

a. Income targeting

- ☐ Yes ☒ No: Does the PHA plan to exceed the federal targeting requirements by targeting more than 75% of all new admissions to the section 8 program to families at or below 30% of median area income?

b. Preferences

1. ☒ Yes ☐ No: Has the PHA established preferences for admission to section 8 tenant-based assistance? (other than date and time of application) (if no, skip to subcomponent **(5) Special purpose section 8 assistance programs**)
2. Which of the following admission preferences does the PHA plan to employ in the coming year? (select all that apply from either former Federal preferences or other preferences)

Former Federal preferences

- ☒ Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)
- ☒ Victims of domestic violence
- ☒ Substandard housing
- ☒ Homelessness
- ☒ High rent burden (rent is > 50 percent of income)

Other preferences (select all that apply)

- ☐ Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
- ☒ Veterans and veterans' families
- ☐ Residents who live and/or work in your jurisdiction
- ☐ Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- ☐ Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)
- ☐ Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)
- ☐ Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- ☐ Victims of reprisals or hate crimes
- ☒ Other preference(s) (list below)
- ③ Elderly, Disabled families or individuals

3. If the PHA will employ admissions preferences, please prioritize by placing a "1" in the space that represents your first priority, a "2" in the box representing your second priority, and so on. If you give equal weight to one or more of these



choices (either through an absolute hierarchy or through a point system), place the same number next to each. That means you can use “1” more than once, “2” more than once, etc.

5 Date and Time

Former Federal preferences

- 1 Involuntary Displacement (Disaster, Government Action, Action of Housing Owner, Inaccessibility, Property Disposition)
- 1 Victims of domestic violence
- 2 Substandard housing
- 1 Homelessness
- 3 High rent burden

Other preferences (select all that apply)

- ☐ Working families and those unable to work because of age or disability
- 4 ☐ Veterans and veterans’ families
- ☐ Residents who live and/or work in your jurisdiction
- ☐ Those enrolled currently in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- ☐ Households that contribute to meeting income goals (broad range of incomes)
- ☐ Households that contribute to meeting income requirements (targeting)
- ☐ Those previously enrolled in educational, training, or upward mobility programs
- ☐ Victims of reprisals or hate crimes
- 4 ☐ Other preference(s) (list below)
  - ③ Elderly/Disabled families or individuals

4. Among applicants on the waiting list with equal preference status, how are applicants selected? (select one)

- ☒ Date and time of application
- ☐ Drawing (lottery) or other random choice technique

5. If the PHA plans to employ preferences for “residents who live and/or work in the jurisdiction” (select one)

- ☐ This preference has previously been reviewed and approved by HUD
- ☐ The PHA requests approval for this preference through this PHA Plan
  - ③ The PHA does not plan to employ these preferences.

6. Relationship of preferences to income targeting requirements: (select one)

- ☐ The PHA applies preferences within income tiers
- ☒ Not applicable: the pool of applicant families ensures that the PHA will meet income targeting requirements

#### **(5) Special Purpose Section 8 Assistance Programs**

- a. In which documents or other reference materials are the policies governing eligibility, selection, and admissions to any special-purpose section 8 program administered by the PHA contained? (select all that apply)

- ☒ The Section 8 Administrative Plan  
☒ Briefing sessions and written materials  
☒ Other (list below)

③ FSS Action Plan

- b. How does the PHA announce the availability of any special-purpose section 8 programs to the public?

- ☐ Through published notices  
☒ Other (list below)

③ Brochures, posters, in-service trainings, mass mailings

#### **4. PHA Rent Determination Policies**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (d)]

##### **A. Public Housing**

Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer public housing are not required to complete sub-component 4A.

##### **(1) Income Based Rent Policies**

Describe the PHA's income based rent setting policy/ies for public housing using, including discretionary (that is, not required by statute or regulation) income disregards and exclusions, in the appropriate spaces below.

- a. Use of discretionary policies: (select one)

- ☐ The PHA will not employ any discretionary rent-setting policies for income based rent in public housing. Income-based rents are set at the higher of 30% of adjusted monthly income, 10% of unadjusted monthly income, the welfare rent, or minimum rent (less HUD mandatory deductions and exclusions). (If selected, skip to sub-component (2))

---or---

- ☐ The PHA employs discretionary policies for determining income based rent (If selected, continue to question b.)

b. Minimum Rent

1. What amount best reflects the PHA's minimum rent? (select one)

- ☐ \$0  
☐ \$1-\$25  
☐ \$26-\$50

2. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Has the PHA adopted any discretionary minimum rent hardship exemption policies?

3. If yes to question 2, list these policies below:

c. Rents set at less than 30% than adjusted income

1. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Does the PHA plan to charge rents at a fixed amount or percentage less than 30% of adjusted income?

2. If yes to above, list the amounts or percentages charged and the circumstances under which these will be used below:

d. Which of the discretionary (optional) deductions and/or exclusions policies does the PHA plan to employ (select all that apply)

- ☐ For the earned income of a previously unemployed household member  
☐ For increases in earned income  
☐ Fixed amount (other than general rent-setting policy)  
If yes, state amount/s and circumstances below:

- ☐ Fixed percentage (other than general rent-setting policy)  
If yes, state percentage/s and circumstances below:

- ☐ For household heads  
☐ For other family members  
☐ For transportation expenses  
☐ For the non-reimbursed medical expenses of non-disabled or non-elderly families  
☐ Other (describe below)

e. Ceiling rents

1. Do you have ceiling rents? (rents set at a level lower than 30% of adjusted income)  
(select one)

- ☐ Yes for all developments  
☐ Yes but only for some developments  
☐ No

2. For which kinds of developments are ceiling rents in place? (select all that apply)

- ☐ For all developments  
☐ For all general occupancy developments (not elderly or disabled or elderly only)  
☐ For specified general occupancy developments  
☐ For certain parts of developments; e.g., the high-rise portion  
☐ For certain size units; e.g., larger bedroom sizes  
☐ Other (list below)

3. Select the space or spaces that best describe how you arrive at ceiling rents (select all that apply)

- ☐ Market comparability study  
☐ Fair market rents (FMR)  
☐ 95<sup>th</sup> percentile rents  
☐ 75 percent of operating costs  
☐ 100 percent of operating costs for general occupancy (family) developments  
☐ Operating costs plus debt service  
☐ The "rental value" of the unit  
☐ Other (list below)

f. Rent re-determinations:

1. Between income reexaminations, how often must tenants report changes in income or family composition to the PHA such that the changes result in an adjustment to rent? (select all that apply)

- ☐ Never  
☐ At family option

- ☐ Any time the family experiences an income increase
- ☐ Any time a family experiences an income increase above a threshold amount or percentage: (if selected, specify threshold)\_\_\_\_\_
- ☐ Other (list below)

g. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Does the PHA plan to implement individual savings accounts for residents (ISAs) as an alternative to the required 12 month disallowance of earned income and phasing in of rent increases in the next year?

## **(2) Flat Rents**

1. In setting the market-based flat rents, what sources of information did the PHA use to establish comparability? (select all that apply.)

- ☐ The section 8 rent reasonableness study of comparable housing
- ☐ Survey of rents listed in local newspaper
- ☐ Survey of similar unassisted units in the neighborhood
- ☐ Other (list/describe below)

## **B. Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance**

Exemptions: PHAs that do not administer Section 8 tenant-based assistance are not required to complete sub-component 4B. **Unless otherwise specified, all questions in this section apply only to the tenant-based section 8 assistance program (vouchers, and until completely merged into the voucher program, certificates).**

### **(1) Payment Standards**

Describe the voucher payment standards and policies.

a. What is the PHA's payment standard? (select the category that best describes your standard)

- ☐ At or above 90% but below 100% of FMR
- ☐ 100% of FMR
- ☒ Above 100% but at or below 110% of FMR
- ☐ Above 110% of FMR (if HUD approved; describe circumstances below)

b. If the payment standard is lower than FMR, why has the PHA selected this standard? (select all that apply)

- ☐ FMRs are adequate to ensure success among assisted families in the PHA's segment of the FMR area
- ☐ The PHA has chosen to serve additional families by lowering the payment standard
- ☐ Reflects market or submarket

☐ Other (list below)

c. If the payment standard is higher than FMR, why has the PHA chosen this level?  
(select all that apply)

- ☒ FMRs are not adequate to ensure success among assisted families in the PHA's segment of the FMR area
- ☒ Reflects market or submarket
- ☒ To increase housing options for families
- ☐ Other (list below)

d. How often are payment standards reevaluated for adequacy? (select one)

- ☒ Annually
- ☐ Other (list below)

e. What factors will the PHA consider in its assessment of the adequacy of its payment standard? (select all that apply)

- ☒ Success rates of assisted families
- ☒ Rent burdens of assisted families
- ☒ Other (list below)
- ③ Market Rents
- ③ Size and quality of units leased under the Program

## **(2) Minimum Rent**

a. What amount best reflects the PHA's minimum rent? (select one)

- ☐ \$0
- ☐ \$1-\$25
- ☒ \$26-\$50

b. ☒ Yes ☐ No: Has the PHA adopted any discretionary minimum rent hardship exemption policies? (if yes, list below)

③ Hardship exceptions include the following situations:

- ③ The family has lost eligibility or is awaiting an eligibility determination for Federal, State, or local assistance
- ③ The family would be evicted as a result of the imposition of the minimum rent requirement
- ③ The income of the family has decreased because of changed circumstances, including: loss of employment, the death of a member of the household, other circumstances determined by the South Central MN Multi-County H.R.A.

## **5. Operations and Management**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (e)]

Exemptions from Component 5: High performing and small PHAs are not required to complete this section. Section 8 only PHAs must complete parts A, B, and C(2)

### A. PHA Management Structure

Describe the PHA's management structure and organization.

(select one)

- ☐ An organization chart showing the PHA's management structure and organization is attached.
- ☒ A brief description of the management structure and organization of the PHA follows:

Board of Commissioners  
 Keith Luebke, Executive Director  
 Julie Collins, Housing Programs Coordinator  
 Kelly Cattrysse, Housing Programs Coordinator  
 Bridget Poole Padilla, Family Self-Sufficiency Program Coordinator  
 Linda Fox, Office Manager  
 Derek Barden, Administrative Assistant  
 Faith Liepold, Housing Inspector  
 Various Contracted Inspectors  
 1 RSVP Volunteer (part time)

### B. HUD Programs Under PHA Management

List Federal programs administered by the PHA, number of families served at the beginning of the upcoming fiscal year, and expected turnover in each. (Use "NA" to indicate that the PHA does not operate any of the programs listed below.)

Program Name	Units or Families Served at Year Beginning	Expected Turnover
Public Housing		
Section 8 Vouchers	560	130
Section 8 Certificates		
Section 8 Mod Rehab		
Special Purpose Section 8 Certificates/Vouchers (list individually)		
Public Housing Drug Elimination Program (PHDEP)		
Other Federal		

Programs(list individually)		

### **C. Management and Maintenance Policies**

List the PHA's public housing management and maintenance policy documents, manuals and handbooks that contain the Agency's rules, standards, and policies that govern maintenance and management of public housing, including a description of any measures necessary for the prevention or eradication of pest infestation (which includes cockroach infestation) and the policies governing Section 8 management.

(1) Public Housing Maintenance and Management: (list below)

(2) Section 8 Management: (list below)

The South Central MN Multi-County H.R.A. has the following Policies that govern our operations:

- ③ PHA Annual and Five-Year Plans
- ③ Section 8 Administrative Plan
- ③ Family Self-Sufficiency Action Plan
- ③ Check Signing/Fund Transfer Policy
- ③ Personnel Policies

## **6. PHA Grievance Procedures**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (f)]

Exemptions from component 6: High performing PHAs are not required to complete component 6. Section 8-Only PHAs are exempt from sub-component 6A.

### **A. Public Housing**

1. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Has the PHA established any written grievance procedures in addition to federal requirements found at 24 CFR Part 966, Subpart B, for residents of public housing?

If yes, list additions to federal requirements below:

2. Which PHA office should residents or applicants to public housing contact to initiate the PHA grievance process? (select all that apply)

- ☐ PHA main administrative office
- ☐ PHA development management offices
- ☐ Other (list below)

### **B. Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance**



1. ☒ Yes ☐ No: Has the PHA established informal review procedures for applicants to the Section 8 tenant-based assistance program and informal hearing procedures for families assisted by the Section 8 tenant-based assistance program in addition to federal requirements found at 24 CFR 982?

If yes, list additions to federal requirements below:

③ None.

2. Which PHA office should applicants or assisted families contact to initiate the informal review and informal hearing processes? (select all that apply)

- ☒ PHA main administrative office  
☐ Other (list below)

## **7. Capital Improvement Needs**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (g)]

Exemptions from Component 7: Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this component and may skip to Component 8.

### **A. Capital Fund Activities**

Exemptions from sub-component 7A: PHAs that will not participate in the Capital Fund Program may skip to component 7B. All other PHAs must complete 7A as instructed.

#### **(1) Capital Fund Program Annual Statement**

Using parts I, II, and III of the Annual Statement for the Capital Fund Program (CFP), identify capital activities the PHA is proposing for the upcoming year to ensure long-term physical and social viability of its public housing developments. This statement can be completed by using the CFP Annual Statement tables provided in the table library at the end of the PHA Plan template **OR**, at the PHA's option, by completing and attaching a properly updated HUD-52837.

Select one:

- ☐ The Capital Fund Program Annual Statement is provided as an attachment to the PHA Plan at Attachment (state name)

-or-

- ☐ The Capital Fund Program Annual Statement is provided below: (if selected, copy the CFP Annual Statement from the Table Library and insert here)

#### **(2) Optional 5-Year Action Plan**

Agencies are encouraged to include a 5-Year Action Plan covering capital work items. This statement can be completed by using the 5 Year Action Plan table provided in the table library at the end of the PHA Plan template **OR** by completing and attaching a properly updated HUD-52834.

- a. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Is the PHA providing an optional 5-Year Action Plan for the Capital Fund? (if no, skip to sub-component 7B)

- b. If yes to question a, select one:

☐ The Capital Fund Program 5-Year Action Plan is provided as an attachment to the PHA Plan at Attachment (state name

-or-

☐ The Capital Fund Program 5-Year Action Plan is provided below: (if selected, copy the CFP optional 5 Year Action Plan from the Table Library and insert here)

## **B. HOPE VI and Public Housing Development and Replacement Activities (Non-Capital Fund)**

Applicability of sub-component 7B: All PHAs administering public housing. Identify any approved HOPE VI and/or public housing development or replacement activities not described in the Capital Fund Program Annual Statement.

☐ Yes ☐ No: a) Has the PHA received a HOPE VI revitalization grant? (if no, skip to question c; if yes, provide responses to question b for each grant, copying and completing as many times as necessary)  
b) Status of HOPE VI revitalization grant (complete one set of questions for each grant)

1. Development name:

2. Development (project) number:

3. Status of grant: (select the statement that best describes the current status)

- ☐ Revitalization Plan under development  
☐ Revitalization Plan submitted, pending approval  
☐ Revitalization Plan approved  
☐ Activities pursuant to an approved Revitalization Plan underway

☐ Yes ☐ No: c) Does the PHA plan to apply for a HOPE VI Revitalization grant in the Plan year?

If yes, list development name/s below:

☐ Yes ☐ No: d) Will the PHA be engaging in any mixed-finance development activities for public housing in the Plan year?

If yes, list developments or activities below:

☐ Yes ☐ No: e) Will the PHA be conducting any other public housing development or replacement activities not discussed in the Capital Fund Program Annual Statement?

If yes, list developments or activities below:

## **8. Demolition and Disposition**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (h)]

Applicability of component 8: Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this section.

1. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Does the PHA plan to conduct any demolition or disposition activities (pursuant to section 18 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437p)) in the plan Fiscal Year? (If “No”, skip to component 9; if “yes”, complete one activity description for each development.)

### 2. Activity Description

- ☐ Yes ☐ No: Has the PHA provided the activities description information in the **optional** Public Housing Asset Management Table? (If “yes”, skip to component 9. If “No”, complete the Activity Description table below.)

<b>Demolition/Disposition Activity Description</b>
1a. Development name:
1b. Development (project) number:
2. Activity type: Demolition <input type="checkbox"/> Disposition <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Application status (select one) Approved <input type="checkbox"/> Submitted, pending approval <input type="checkbox"/> Planned application <input type="checkbox"/>
4. Date application approved, submitted, or planned for submission: <u>(DD/MM/YY)</u>
5. Number of units affected:
6. Coverage of action (select one) <input type="checkbox"/> Part of the development <input type="checkbox"/> Total development
7. Timeline for activity: a. Actual or projected start date of activity: b. Projected end date of activity:

## **9. Designation of Public Housing for Occupancy by Elderly Families or Families with Disabilities or Elderly Families and Families with Disabilities**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (i)]

Exemptions from Component 9: Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this section.

1. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Has the PHA designated or applied for approval to designate or does the PHA plan to apply to designate any public housing for occupancy only by the elderly families or only by families with disabilities, or by elderly families and families with disabilities or will apply for designation for occupancy by only elderly families or only families with disabilities, or by elderly families and families with disabilities as provided by section 7 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437e) in the upcoming fiscal year? (If “No”, skip to component 10. If “yes”, complete one activity description for each development, unless the PHA is eligible to complete a streamlined submission; PHAs completing streamlined submissions may skip to component 10.)

2. Activity Description

- ☐ Yes ☐ No: Has the PHA provided all required activity description information for this component in the **optional** Public Housing Asset Management Table? If “yes”, skip to component 10. If “No”, complete the Activity Description table below.

Designation of Public Housing Activity Description
1a. Development name:
1b. Development (project) number:
2. Designation type: Occupancy by only the elderly <input type="checkbox"/> Occupancy by families with disabilities <input type="checkbox"/> Occupancy by only elderly families and families with disabilities <input type="checkbox"/>
3. Application status (select one) Approved; included in the PHA's Designation Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Submitted, pending approval <input type="checkbox"/> Planned application <input type="checkbox"/>
4. Date this designation approved, submitted, or planned for submission: (DD/MM/YY)
5. If approved, will this designation constitute a (select one) <input type="checkbox"/> New Designation Plan <input type="checkbox"/> Revision of a previously-approved Designation Plan?
6. Number of units affected:
7. Coverage of action (select one) <input type="checkbox"/> Part of the development <input type="checkbox"/> Total development

## **10. Conversion of Public Housing to Tenant-Based Assistance**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (j)]

Exemptions from Component 10; Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete this section.

### **A. Assessments of Reasonable Revitalization Pursuant to section 202 of the HUD FY 1996 HUD Appropriations Act**

1. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Have any of the PHA's developments or portions of developments been identified by HUD or the PHA as covered under section 202 of the HUD FY 1996 HUD Appropriations Act? (If "No", skip to component 11; if "yes", complete one activity description for each identified development, unless eligible to complete a streamlined submission. PHAs completing streamlined submissions may skip to component 11.)

#### **2. Activity Description**

☐ Yes ☐ No: Has the PHA provided all required activity description information for this component in the **optional** Public Housing Asset Management Table? If "yes", skip to component 11. If "No", complete the Activity Description table below.

<b>Conversion of Public Housing Activity Description</b>
1a. Development name:
1b. Development (project) number:
2. What is the status of the required assessment? <input type="checkbox"/> Assessment underway <input type="checkbox"/> Assessment results submitted to HUD <input type="checkbox"/> Assessment results approved by HUD (if marked, proceed to next question) <input type="checkbox"/> Other (explain below)
3. <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No: Is a Conversion Plan required? (If yes, go to block 4; if no, go to block 5.)
4. Status of Conversion Plan (select the statement that best describes the current status) <input type="checkbox"/> Conversion Plan in development <input type="checkbox"/> Conversion Plan submitted to HUD on: (DD/MM/YYYY) <input type="checkbox"/> Conversion Plan approved by HUD on: (DD/MM/YYYY) <input type="checkbox"/> Activities pursuant to HUD-approved Conversion Plan underway

5. Description of how requirements of Section 202 are being satisfied by means other than conversion (select one)

- ☐ Units addressed in a pending or approved demolition application (date submitted or approved: \_\_\_\_\_)
- ☐ Units addressed in a pending or approved HOPE VI demolition application (date submitted or approved: \_\_\_\_\_)
- ☐ Units addressed in a pending or approved HOPE VI Revitalization Plan (date submitted or approved: \_\_\_\_\_)
- ☐ Requirements no longer applicable: vacancy rates are less than 10 percent
- ☐ Requirements no longer applicable: site now has less than 300 units
- ☐ Other: (describe below)

**B. Reserved for Conversions pursuant to Section 22 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937**

**C. Reserved for Conversions pursuant to Section 33 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937**

**11. Homeownership Programs Administered by the PHA**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (k)]

**A. Public Housing**

Exemptions from Component 11A: Section 8 only PHAs are not required to complete 11A.

1. ☐ Yes ☒ No: Does the PHA administer any homeownership programs administered by the PHA under an approved section 5(h) homeownership program (42 U.S.C. 1437c(h)), or an approved HOPE I program (42 U.S.C. 1437aaa) or has the PHA applied or plan to apply to administer any homeownership programs under section 5(h), the HOPE I program, or section 32 of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437z-4). (If “No”, skip to component 11B; if “yes”, complete one activity description for each applicable program/plan, unless eligible to complete a streamlined submission due to **small PHA** or **high performing PHA** status. PHAs completing streamlined submissions may skip to component 11B.)

2. Activity Description

- ☐ Yes ☐ No: Has the PHA provided all required activity description information for this component in the **optional** Public Housing

Asset Management Table? (If “yes”, skip to component 12. If “No”, complete the Activity Description table below.)

Public Housing Homeownership Activity Description (Complete one for each development affected)	
1a. Development name:	
1b. Development (project) number:	
2. Federal Program authority:	<input type="checkbox"/> HOPE I <input type="checkbox"/> 5(h) <input type="checkbox"/> Turnkey III <input type="checkbox"/> Section 32 of the USHA of 1937 (effective 10/1/99)
3. Application status: (select one)	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved; included in the PHA’s Homeownership Plan/Program <input type="checkbox"/> Submitted, pending approval <input type="checkbox"/> Planned application
3. Date Homeownership Plan/Program approved, submitted, or planned for submission:	
5. Number of units affected:	
6. Coverage of action: (select one)	<input type="checkbox"/> Part of the development <input type="checkbox"/> Total development

## B. Section 8 Tenant Based Assistance

1. ☒ Yes ☐ No: Does the PHA plan to administer a Section 8 Homeownership program pursuant to Section 8(y) of the U.S.H.A. of 1937, as implemented by 24 CFR part 982 ? (If “No”, skip to component 12; if “yes”, describe each program using the table below (copy and complete questions for each program identified), unless the PHA is eligible to complete a streamlined submission due to high performer status. **High performing PHAs** may skip to component 12.)

### 2. Program Description:

#### a. Size of Program

- ☒ Yes ☐ No: Will the PHA limit the number of families participating in the section 8 homeownership option?

If the answer to the question above was yes, which statement best describes the number of participants? (select one)

- ☒ 25 or fewer participants
- ☐ 26 - 50 participants
- ☐ 51 to 100 participants
- ☐ more than 100 participants

b. PHA-established eligibility criteria

☒ Yes ☐ No: Will the PHA's program have eligibility criteria for participation in its Section 8 Homeownership Option program in addition to HUD criteria?

If yes, list criteria below:

## **12. PHA Community Service and Self-sufficiency Programs**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (l)]

Exemptions from Component 12: High performing and small PHAs are not required to complete this component. Section 8-Only PHAs are not required to complete sub-component C.

### **A. PHA Coordination with the Welfare (TANF) Agency**

1. Cooperative agreements:

☐ Yes ☒ No: Has the PHA has entered into a cooperative agreement with the TANF Agency, to share information and/or target supportive services (as contemplated by section 12(d)(7) of the Housing Act of 1937)?

If yes, what was the date that agreement was signed? DD/MM/YY

2. Other coordination efforts between the PHA and TANF agency (select all that apply)

- ☒ Client referrals
- ☒ Information sharing regarding mutual clients (for rent determinations and otherwise)
- ☒ Coordinate the provision of specific social and self-sufficiency services and programs to eligible families
- ☐ Jointly administer programs
- ☐ Partner to administer a HUD Welfare-to-Work voucher program
- ☐ Joint administration of other demonstration program
- ☐ Other (describe)

### **B. Services and programs offered to residents and participants**

#### **(1) General**



a. Self-Sufficiency Policies

Which, if any of the following discretionary policies will the PHA employ to enhance the economic and social self-sufficiency of assisted families in the following areas? (select all that apply)

- ☐ Public housing rent determination policies
- ☐ Public housing admissions policies
- ☒ Section 8 admissions policies
- ☐ Preference in admission to section 8 for certain public housing families
- ☐ Preferences for families working or engaging in training or education programs for non-housing programs operated or coordinated by the PHA
- ☐ Preference/eligibility for public housing homeownership option participation
- ☐ Preference/eligibility for section 8 homeownership option participation
- ☐ Other policies (list below)

b. Economic and Social self-sufficiency programs

- ☒ Yes ☐ No: Does the PHA coordinate, promote or provide any programs to enhance the economic and social self-sufficiency of residents? (If “yes”, complete the following table; if “no” skip to sub-component 2, Family Self Sufficiency Programs. The position of the table may be altered to facilitate its use. )

Services and Programs				
Program Name & Description (including location, if appropriate)	Estimated Size	Allocation Method (waiting list/random selection/specific criteria/other)	Access (development office / PHA main office / other provider name)	Eligibility (public housing or section 8 participants or both)
<i>Family Self-Sufficiency</i>	<i>60</i>	<i>Waiting List</i>	<i>PHA main office</i>	<i>Section 8 participants</i>
<i>Rental Assistance for Family Stabilization (RAFS)</i>	<i>40</i>	<i>Waiting List</i>	<i>Employment Training Counselor; MFIP Case Manager; PHA main office</i>	<i>MFIP-Cash recipients</i>

**(2) Family Self Sufficiency program/s**

a. Participation Description

Family Self Sufficiency (FSS) Participation
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Program	Required Number of Participants (start of FY 2002 Estimate)	Actual Number of Participants (As of: 04/01/02)
Public Housing		
Section 8	26	50

- b. ☒ Yes ☐ No: If the PHA is not maintaining the minimum program size required by HUD, does the most recent FSS Action Plan address the steps the PHA plans to take to achieve at least the minimum program size?  
If no, list steps the PHA will take below:

### C. Welfare Benefit Reductions

1. The PHA is complying with the statutory requirements of section 12(d) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (relating to the treatment of income changes resulting from welfare program requirements) by: (select all that apply)
- ☐ Adopting appropriate changes to the PHA's public housing rent determination policies and train staff to carry out those policies
  - ☐ Informing residents of new policy on admission and reexamination
  - ☐ Actively notifying residents of new policy at times in addition to admission and reexamination.
  - ☐ Establishing or pursuing a cooperative agreement with all appropriate TANF agencies regarding the exchange of information and coordination of services
  - ☐ Establishing a protocol for exchange of information with all appropriate TANF agencies
  - ☐ Other: (list below)

### D. Reserved for Community Service Requirement pursuant to section 12(c) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937

## **13. PHA Safety and Crime Prevention Measures**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (m)]

Exemptions from Component 13: High performing and small PHAs not participating in PHDEP and Section 8 Only PHAs may skip to component 15. High Performing and small PHAs that are participating in PHDEP and are submitting a PHDEP Plan with this PHA Plan may skip to sub-component D.

### A. Need for measures to ensure the safety of public housing residents

1. Describe the need for measures to ensure the safety of public housing residents

(select all that apply)

- ☐ High incidence of violent and/or drug-related crime in some or all of the PHA's developments
- ☐ High incidence of violent and/or drug-related crime in the areas surrounding or adjacent to the PHA's developments
- ☐ Residents fearful for their safety and/or the safety of their children
- ☐ Observed lower-level crime, vandalism and/or graffiti
- ☐ People on waiting list unwilling to move into one or more developments due to perceived and/or actual levels of violent and/or drug-related crime
- ☐ Other (describe below)

2. What information or data did the PHA used to determine the need for PHA actions to improve safety of residents (select all that apply).

- ☐ Safety and security survey of residents
- ☐ Analysis of crime statistics over time for crimes committed "in and around" public housing authority
- ☐ Analysis of cost trends over time for repair of vandalism and removal of graffiti
- ☐ Resident reports
- ☐ PHA employee reports
- ☐ Police reports
- ☐ Demonstrable, quantifiable success with previous or ongoing anticrime/anti drug programs
- ☐ Other (describe below)

3. Which developments are most affected? (list below)

**B. Crime and Drug Prevention activities the PHA has undertaken or plans to undertake in the next PHA fiscal year**

1. List the crime prevention activities the PHA has undertaken or plans to undertake:

(select all that apply)

- ☐ Contracting with outside and/or resident organizations for the provision of crime- and/or drug-prevention activities
- ☐ Crime Prevention Through Environmental Design
- ☐ Activities targeted to at-risk youth, adults, or seniors
- ☐ Volunteer Resident Patrol/Block Watchers Program
- ☐ Other (describe below)

2. Which developments are most affected? (list below)

**C. Coordination between PHA and the police**

1. Describe the coordination between the PHA and the appropriate police precincts for carrying out crime prevention measures and activities: (select all that apply)

- ☐ Police involvement in development, implementation, and/or ongoing evaluation of drug-elimination plan
- ☐ Police provide crime data to housing authority staff for analysis and action
- ☐ Police have established a physical presence on housing authority property (e.g., community policing office, officer in residence)
- ☐ Police regularly testify in and otherwise support eviction cases
- ☐ Police regularly meet with the PHA management and residents
- ☐ Agreement between PHA and local law enforcement agency for provision of above-baseline law enforcement services
- ☐ Other activities (list below)

2. Which developments are most affected? (list below)

**D. Additional information as required by PHDEP/PHDEP Plan**

PHAs eligible for FY 2000 PHDEP funds must provide a PHDEP Plan meeting specified requirements prior to receipt of PHDEP funds.

- ☐ Yes ☐ No: Is the PHA eligible to participate in the PHDEP in the fiscal year covered by this PHA Plan?
- ☐ Yes ☐ No: Has the PHA included the PHDEP Plan for FY 2000 in this PHA Plan?
- ☐ Yes ☐ No: This PHDEP Plan is an Attachment. (Attachment Filename: \_\_\_\_)

**14. RESERVED FOR PET POLICY**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (n)]

**15. Civil Rights Certifications**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (o)]

Civil rights certifications are included in the PHA Plan Certifications of Compliance with the PHA Plans and Related Regulations.

**16. Fiscal Audit**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (p)]

- 1. ☒ Yes ☐ No: Is the PHA required to have an audit conducted under section 5(h)(2) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437c(h))?  
(If no, skip to component 17.)
- 2. ☒ Yes ☐ No: Was the most recent fiscal audit submitted to HUD?
- 3. ☐ Yes ☒ No: Were there any findings as the result of that audit?
- 4. ☐ Yes ☒ No: If there were any findings, do any remain unresolved?

5. ☐ Yes ☒ No: If yes, how many unresolved findings remain? \_\_\_\_  
Have responses to any unresolved findings been submitted to HUD?

If not, when are they due (state below)?

## **17. PHA Asset Management**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (q)]

Exemptions from component 17: Section 8 Only PHAs are not required to complete this component.  
High performing and small PHAs are not required to complete this component.

1. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Is the PHA engaging in any activities that will contribute to the long-term asset management of its public housing stock , including how the Agency will plan for long-term operating, capital investment, rehabilitation, modernization, disposition, and other needs that have **not** been addressed elsewhere in this PHA Plan?
2. What types of asset management activities will the PHA undertake? (select all that apply)
- ☐ Not applicable
  - ☐ Private management
  - ☐ Development-based accounting
  - ☐ Comprehensive stock assessment
  - ☐ Other: (list below)
3. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Has the PHA included descriptions of asset management activities in the **optional** Public Housing Asset Management Table?

## **18. Other Information**

[24 CFR Part 903.7 9 (r)]

### **A. Membership of the Resident Advisory Board**

Currently, the Resident Advisory Board is made up of residents who receive Section 8 Rental Assistance from South Central MN Multi-County HRA. Their names are:

Shirley Krider  
Alice Petrowiak  
Ruth Glidden  
Rosemary Borchardt  
Oscar Moore  
Betty (Frances) Smith

Abdulkadir Sheikh Abdulaziz  
Abdullahi Jimale  
Hassan Halane

Compared to the total number of participants that are served by South Central MN Multi-County HRA's Section 8 Program, the participant involvement on the Resident Advisory Board is low.

In the spring of 2002, attempts to encourage participants to join the Resident Advisory Board were made:

- ③ A postcard notifying the participants of the Resident Advisory Board Meeting to be held at the main office of the South Central MN Multi-County H.R.A. was mailed to all participants residing in Nicollet, Sibley, Waseca and Watonwan counties. The postcard indicated the date, time and purpose of the Resident Advisory Board Meeting. Two people contacted the office of the South Central MN Multi-County H.R.A. to notify staff that they would attend. Several people contacted the H.R.A. to notify them that they would not be attending. Four participants and one non-participant attended the meeting.
- ③ A postcard notifying the participants of the Resident Advisory Board Meeting to be held at the Fairmont Place Apartments (Community Room) in Fairmont was mailed to all participants residing in Martin County. The postcard indicated the date, time and purpose of the Resident Advisory Board Meeting. Four participants contacted the office of the South Central MN Multi-County H.R.A. to sign up for the meeting. Six participants and five non-participants attended the meeting.

## **B. Resident Advisory Board Recommendations**

1. ☒ Yes ☐ No: Did the PHA receive any comments on the PHA Plan from the Resident Advisory Board/s?

2. If yes, the comments are:

- ☐ Attached at Attachment (File name)
- ☒ Provided below:

- ③ Several residents remarked that the Resident Advisory Board meetings were very informative.
- ③ One resident asked whether staff from the HRA could visit their apartment building to let them know how they (the tenants) have improved.
- ③ Several residents indicated that issues for seniors were important to them, especially the availability of help and the high cost of prescription drugs.

- ③ The residents indicated that the admission preferences that the HRA employs were suitable.
- ③ One resident expressed a desire to see the owner/managers of her apartment building coordinate more social events for the tenants.
- ③ Several residents expressed interest in having the H.R.A. hire an interpreter to translate Section 8 documents into the Somali language.
- ③ Residents stated that they were very satisfied with the level of service provided to them.
- ③ One resident stated that he was glad that he took advantage of the opportunity to learn more about the H.R.A.'s programs that are available and the meeting was informative in terms of learning the rules and regulations of the Section 8 Program.
- ③ None of the participants present for the meetings expressed possible interest in serving as a Resident Member of the HRA Board. One participant who currently attends the HRA Board meetings on a regular basis serves as an Advisory HRA Board Member.

3. In what manner did the PHA address those comments? (select all that apply)

☐ Considered comments but determined that no changes to the PHA Plan were necessary.

☒ The PHA changed portions of the PHA Plan in response to comments  
List changes below:

- ③ The HRA staff will continue to try to visit individual communities in the service area to promote the agency programs to landlords, tenants and social service organizations. In addition, our agency will continue to provide workshops, including workshops suitable for the elderly.
- ③ The HRA staff will explore the idea of having the Section 8 documents translated to the Somali language.

☒ Other: (list below)

- ③ The HRA will consider all other comments.

### **C. Description of Election process for Residents on the PHA Board**

1. ☒ Yes ☐ No: Does the PHA meet the exemption criteria provided section 2(b)(2) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937? (If no, continue to question 2; if yes, skip to sub-component C.)
2. ☐ Yes ☐ No: Was the resident who serves on the PHA Board elected by the residents? (If yes, continue to question 3; if no, skip to sub-component C.)

### **3. Description of Resident Election Process**

a. Nomination of candidates for place on the ballot: (select all that apply)

- ☐ Candidates were nominated by resident and assisted family organizations
- ☒ Candidates could be nominated by any adult recipient of PHA assistance
- ☒ Self-nomination: Candidates registered with the PHA and requested a place on ballot
- ☐ Other: (describe)

b. Eligible candidates: (select one)

- ☐ Any recipient of PHA assistance
- ☐ Any head of household receiving PHA assistance
- ☒ Any adult recipient of PHA assistance
- ☐ Any adult member of a resident or assisted family organization
- ☐ Other (list)

c. Eligible voters: (select all that apply)

- ☒ All adult recipients of PHA assistance (public housing and section 8 tenant-based assistance)
- ☐ Representatives of all PHA resident and assisted family organizations
- ☐ Other (list)

#### **D. Resident Membership of the PHA Governing Board**

Currently, no residents are serving on the Governing Board. One of the Section 8 participants from the Resident Advisory Board attends the Board Meetings of the HRA Commissioners on a regular basis and serves as an Advisory HRA Board member at this time. At this point, none of the participants have expressed interest in being appointed to the HRA Board.

In the event that we need to replace the current Advisory HRA Board member, a staff person of the HRA would contact all of the participants who are members of the Resident Advisory Board to ask if they would be interested in being appointed to the HRA Board. Any interested parties must register with the South Central MN Multi-County HRA to self-nominate themselves and to request a place on the ballot. Then the Resident Advisory Board will meet and the candidate with the most votes on the ballot will be appointed to serve on the South Central MN Multi-County HRA Board. The current Chairperson of the HRA Board would serve as the appointing official for the Governing Board (HRA Board).

The Federal Register, 24 CFR Part 964, Volume 64, No. 203, dated October 21, 1999 makes clear that the South Central MN Multi-County HRA, because it administers Section 8 assistance only, qualifies for the “small PHA” exception to the resident board member requirement regardless of the number of Section 8 vouchers administered by the agency. In order to qualify for this exception, the South Central



MN Multi-County HRA has 1) no public housing units; 2) provided reasonable notice to the resident advisory board of the opportunity for residents to serve on the governing board; 3) not been notified of the intention of any resident to participate on the governing board within a reasonable time; and 4) will repeat notification to the resident advisory board at least once every year.

#### **E. Statement of Consistency with the Consolidated Plan**

For each applicable Consolidated Plan, make the following statement (copy questions as many times as necessary).

1. Consolidated Plan jurisdiction: (provide name here)  
State of Minnesota
2. The PHA has taken the following steps to ensure consistency of this PHA Plan with the Consolidated Plan for the jurisdiction: (select all that apply)
  - ☒ The PHA has based its statement of needs of families in the jurisdiction on the needs expressed in the U.S. Census data; the Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) dataset.
  - ☐ The PHA has participated in any consultation process organized and offered by the Consolidated Plan agency in the development of the Consolidated Plan.
  - ☒ The PHA has consulted with the Consolidated Plan agency during the development of this PHA Plan.
  - ☐ Activities to be undertaken by the PHA in the coming year are consistent with the initiatives contained in the Consolidated Plan. (list below)
  - ☐ Other: (list below)
4. The Consolidated Plan of the jurisdiction supports the PHA Plan with the following actions and commitments: (describe below)
  - ③ The State of Minnesota certified that the proposed activities/projects in the Five Year and Annual PHA Plan are consistent with the jurisdiction's current, approved Comprehensive Housing Affordability Strategy (CHAS) or Consolidated Plan.

#### **F. Other Information Required by HUD**

Use this section to provide any additional information requested by HUD.

## **Attachments**

Use this section to provide any additional attachments referenced in the Plans.

## PHA Plan Table Library

### Component 7 Capital Fund Program Annual Statement Parts I, II, and II

#### Annual Statement Capital Fund Program (CFP) Part I: Summary

Capital Fund Grant Number      FFY of Grant Approval: (MM/YYYY)

☐ Original Annual Statement

Line No.	Summary by Development Account	Total Estimated Cost
1	Total Non-CGP Funds	
2	1406 Operations	
3	1408 Management Improvements	
4	1410 Administration	
5	1411 Audit	
6	1415 Liquidated Damages	
7	1430 Fees and Costs	
8	1440 Site Acquisition	
9	1450 Site Improvement	
10	1460 Dwelling Structures	
11	1465.1 Dwelling Equipment-Nonexpendable	
12	1470 Nondwelling Structures	
13	1475 Nondwelling Equipment	
14	1485 Demolition	
15	1490 Replacement Reserve	
16	1492 Moving to Work Demonstration	
17	1495.1 Relocation Costs	
18	1498 Mod Used for Development	
19	1502 Contingency	
20	<b>Amount of Annual Grant (Sum of lines 2-19)</b>	
21	Amount of line 20 Related to LBP Activities	
22	Amount of line 20 Related to Section 504 Compliance	
23	Amount of line 20 Related to Security	
24	Amount of line 20 Related to Energy Conservation Measures	

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**Capital Fund Program (CFP) Part II: Supporting Table**

Development Number/Name HA-Wide Activities	General Description of Major Work Categories	Development Account Number	Total Estimated Cost

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**Capital Fund Program (CFP) Part III: Implementation Schedule**

Development Number/Name HA-Wide Activities	All Funds Obligated (Quarter Ending Date)	All Funds Expended (Quarter Ending Date)

Optional Table for 5-Year Action Plan for Capital Fund (Component 7)

Complete one table for each development in which work is planned in the next 5 PHA fiscal years. Complete a table for any PHA-wide physical or management improvements planned in the next 5 PHA fiscal year. Copy this table as many times as necessary. Note: PHAs need not include information from Year One of the 5-Year cycle, because this information is included in the Capital Fund Program Annual Statement.

Optional 5-Year Action Plan Tables				
Development Number	Development Name (or indicate PHA wide)	Number Vacant Units	% Vacancies in Development	
Description of Needed Physical Improvements or Management Improvements			Estimated Cost	Planned Start Date (HA Fiscal Year)
Total estimated cost over next 5 years				

**Optional Public Housing Asset Management Table**

See Technical Guidance for instructions on the use of this table, including information to be provided.

Public Housing Asset Management								
Development Identification		Activity Description						
Name, Number, and Location	Number and Type of units	Capital Fund Program Parts II and III <i>Component 7a</i>	Development Activities <i>Component 7b</i>	Demolition / disposition <i>Component 8</i>	Designated housing <i>Component 9</i>	Conversion <i>Component 10</i>	Home-ownership <i>Component 11a</i>	Other (describe) <i>Component 17</i>